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SUBJECT: PROPOSED FOOD/AGRICULTURE TEAM FOR CENTRAL AMERICA

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1. PROPOSED TOPICS AND TIME FRAME ACCEPTABLE.

2. POST SUGGESTS THREE-MEMBER TEAM CONCEPT WITH OPTION OF BREAKING THEM DOWN INTO INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS FOR SIMULTANEOUS PRESENTATIONS IN SPECIALIZED FIELDS AT VARIOUS LOCAL INSTITUTIONS, I.E., FOOD PRODUCTION WITH MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, ENERGY AND POPULATION WITH CENTRAL BANK, ETC.

3. AUDIENCE WILL VARY FOR DIFFERENT PROGRAMS. POST WOULD PLAN HAVE ONE FULL DAY SEMINAR FOR HIGH LEVEL GOVERNMENTAL, ACADEMIC PRIVATE SECTOR AND PRESS REPRESENTATIVES ON GENERAL TOPIC OF "CHALLENGE OF WORLD-WIDE INTERDEPENDENCE TO DEVELOPMENT." SEMINAR WOULD BE EXPECTED COVER 1) RELATIONSHIP OF ENERGY, ENVIRONMENT
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AND POPULATION TO FOOD PRODUCTION, 2) RELATIONSHIP OF FOOD PRO-

DUCTION AND POPULATION GROWTH TO OVERALL DEVELOPMENT QUESTIONS,
3) CHALLENGE OF WORLD-WIDE INTERDEPENDENCE TO ENERGY AND FOOD
PRODUCTION. SEMINAR SHOULD ESTABLISH FIRM UNDERSTANDING OF
CURRENT WORLD FOOD AND ENERGY PICTURE AND WORK FROM THIS BASE
TO EXPLAIN NECESSITY OF INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION. SHORTER
PRESENTATIONS WOULD BE TARGETED TO MID-LEVEL TECHNICIANS IN
VARIOUS NICARAGUAN INSTITUTIONS WORKING DIRECTLY WITH FOOD PRO-
DUCTION, ENERGY, ENVIRONMENT, DEVELOPMENT, ETC. POST WOULD ALSO
LIKE PROGRAM ENTIRE TEAM BEFORE UNIVERSITY AUDIENCES, PROBABLY
IN EVENING OR AFTERNOON, THIS COULD BE A SHORTER PRESENTATION
ON TOPIC OF INTERDEPENDENCE WITH STRONG EMPHASIS ON FACTUAL
OUTLINE OF CURRENT WORLD SITUATION AND FUTURE OUTLOOK. ENTIRE
PROGRAM WOULD REQUIRE AT LEAST 3 FULL WORK DAYS.

4. QUESTIONS WOULD CENTER ON DETAILS OF ACTUAL WORLD CONDITIONS
WITH EMPHASIS ON US INVOLVEMENT. UNIVERSITY AUDIENCES WOULD
SURELY QUESTION US'S POSITION AS PRIMARY USER OF WORLD'S RESOURCES
AND PRIMARY PROPONENT OF POPULATION PLANNING. TEAM SHOULD BE
PREPARED SHOW HOW US USES PRIMARY RESOURCES, HOW RESOURCES ARE
RETURNED TO REST OF WORLD AS FINISHED PRODUCTS, HOW ENTIRE
QUESTION OF POPULATION PLANNING IS LINKED TO PROBLEM OF
DEVELOPMENT.
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